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In re application

John Wilhelm Geus, et al.

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Further to the Preliminary Amendment submitted on January 17, 2001, please enter the following, further preliminary amendments in the above-identified application. For the Examiner's convenience, a mark-up showing the amendments to original claims is appended at the end of the Remarks.